

Reading, Penna. October 4th 1935

The President of the P.G.A.

Dear Sir:

Today I continued the Reading service by first visiting the Riverside Golf Club at the request of P.G.A. member A.L.Heron. This is another public course, operated by Carl Bauer, who with his greenkeeper, Thomas Canto, accompanied Heron and myself around the course. I gave them general advice and considered all problems, which they presented for my views. Chief among my recommendations was a new green for the seventeenth, - a perfectly natural site to replace a wrongly located green, which does not drain and is generally bad. In some instances they have been giving unnecessary care to greens because of wasted areas. I believe that the various suggestions at this place will greatly reduce the costs of maintenance.

In the afternoon, at the request of P.G.A. member James S. Young, I visited the course of the Reading Country Club and was accompanied by Young and the greenkeeper, Harry Scott, both of whom have been with the club for more than ten years, - a fine example of understanding between pro' and greenkeeper. Their cooperation is reflected by the fine condition of the course. I gave particular directions for the contouring of a new sixth green, which they propose building. The old green has been subjected to wash from surrounding slopes, and as a consequence is plentifully sprinkled with knot-wood. Grassed hollows will divert this in the new scheme. However most of the greens present a good turf of Metropolitan bent, which seems to be particularly satisfactory in this region.

Very truly yours

